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No.614/49-33562-A
Rehabilitation Department.
Bombay Castle, 19 December 1949.

To

The Secretary to the Govt. of India,
Ministry of External Affairs,
New Delhi.

Subject:- Evacuees from Burma, Malaya, etc.-
Write off of irrecoverable advances
granted under the scheme of
Financial Assistance- Delegation of
Powers.

Sir,

With ref. to para.5 of Mr. Gundevia's letter No.F40/48-E(Pt II), dated the 10th November 1949 on the above subject, I am directed to state as follows.

The information required to be furnished in the prescribed form includes information as regards the total amount to be recovered. It is not clear what amounts should be included under this column. Under the scheme of financial assistance to evacuees from Burma, Malaya etc., advances were granted to different categories of evacuees and the expdr. incurred on them was debited to different Govts. e.g. H.M.'s Govt., the Govt. of Burma and the G. of I. Recoveries, if and when made, have been credited to the respective Govts. Lately the position has, however, changed and the personal files of evacuees who are the responsibility of Govts. other than the G. of I. for further transmission to the Govt. concerned. The question of recovery or write off in such cases is for the Govt. concerned and not for the Provincial Govt. It, follows therefore, that the Distt. authorities should include under column 2 of the statement, amounts advanced to those evacuees only who are the responsibility of the G. of I. and which still remain to be recovered by them.

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The following questions arise in this connection,

(1) Whether amounts debited to the G. of I. and advanced by other Provincial Govts. to evacuees who afterwards came to this Province and whose personal files have been transferred to this Govt. and which are still with this Govt. should be included in the amount to be shown under column 2 of the statement.

(2) Whether amounts debited to the G. of I. and advanced by the Govt. of Bombay to evacuees who afterwards left for other provinces and whose personal files have been transfered to the Provincial Govt. concerned should be included in the amount to be shown under column 2 of the statement.

(3) Whether amounts advanced to Indian evacuees who have or are supposed to have gone to Burma and whose names have been included in the list of Indian evacuees gone to Burma should be included in the amount to be shown under column 2.

As this information is called for, presumably with a view to having an idea of the correct position evacuees work still remaining to be done by the Distt. authorities, and the progress of the work done by them month by month, it seems that the amounts referred to in (1) above only should be included in the amount to be shown under column two, while the amounts refd. to in (2) and (3) above, should not be included.

Amounts refd. to in (3) above should not be included as they are expected to be recovered by the Indian Embassy in Burma.

The Distt. authorities are being informed accordingly.

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done by the Distt. authorities and the progress of work done month by month. It seems that as amounts advanced to evacuees refd. to above are to be recovered by the Indian Embassy in Burma, they should not be included in the amount to be shown in column 2. This fact may also be communicated to the G. of I.

9. The statement includes information as regards amounts written off. Uptill now we have been forwarding quarterly statements of write off to the G. of I. The position now is that the Distt. authorit are also being empowered to write off advances upto Rs.250/- The G. of I. have not specified whether amounts written off by the Govt. of India, Provincial Govts., and the Distt. authorities should be shown separately or not. But it seems that we may divide columns 4 & 5 of the statement into three sub-columns as shown on p.7 ante. If this is done it seems that there will be no necessity of forwarding quarterly statement of write off cases as we do at present. The G. Of I. may be informed of this.

10. We are also forwarding quarterly statements recoveries to the G. of I. It seems that in view of the information as regards recovery included in the present statement which is to be furnished everymonth the quarterly statement of recoveries may also be discontinued from the current quarter. Quarterly statements upto Septr. 1949 which have not been received from some officers may, however, be called for. The G. of I. may be informed of this also.

11. In view of the above, information in respect of column 1 & 3 of the statement may be divided into three sub-heads as follows:-

1. Recoveries credited to H.M.'s Govt.

2. Recoveries credited to the Govt. of Burma.

3. Recoveries credited to the Govt. of India.

Generally ~~xxx~~ the number of cases and amount recovered to be shown under (1) & (2) above, will not alter in statements following the first statement as no recoveries are to be made from evacuees, expr. on whom has been debited to Govts. other than the Govt. of India.

12. Draft letters to the Govt. of India and the Distt authorities are put up for approval.

SGP/-
30th June 1956.

Rehabilitation Deptt.
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Submited with ref. to the foregoing u.o.r. dated the 7th December 1949 from the F.D.

2. All Collrs. except the Collr. of B'bay and B.S.D. and the D. of R., B'bay, may now be empowered to write off irrecoverable advances upto Rs.250/-in each individual case subject to the conditions laid down by the Govt. of India.

3. While delegating wider powers to the Provl. Govts. and the Distt. authorities the Govt. of India has asked the Provl. Govts. to furnish them with the information in the prescribed form attached to the letter. From the perusal of the form the following points arise.

4. Under the scheme of financial assistance to evacuees from Burma, Malaya etc., evacuees of different categories were given fimancial assistance and the expenditure incurred on them was debited to different Govts. e.g. the G. of the Govt. of Burma, and H.M's Govt. Recoveries, if and when made, were credited to the respective Govts. Lately the position has changed and personal files of evacuees who are the responsibility of the Govts. other than the G.of I., are required to be forwarded to the G.of I. for further transmission to the Govt. concerned, without making any attempts to recover the amounts advanced to the evacuees in question. It means that the amounts advanced to this category of evacuees are not to be recovered by us. On several occasions the G.of I. have also said that the question of recovery or write off in such cases,

is for the Govt. concerned and not for us. if this is the case, the Distt. authorities will have to show under column 2 of the statement, amounts advanced to those evacuees only expdr. on whom has been debited to the Govt. of India. The Govt. of India has not clarified this point. We may point out this thing to them and inform them that under column (2) of the statement only that amount will be included which is debited to the G. of I. and which still remains to be recovered.

5. Here question arises whether amounts advanced by other Govts. to evacuees who afterwards came to this Province and whose personal files have been transferred to this Govt. and which are still with us, should be included in the amount to be shown under column 2.

6. Question also arises whether amounts advanced by this Govt. to evacuees who afterwards left for other Provinces and whose personal files have been transferred to the respective Govts. should be included in the amount to be shown under column 2.

7. It seems that amounts refered to in para. five above should be included but amounts referred to in para six should not be included in the amount to be shown under column 2. This fact may also be communicated to the Govt. of India.

8. Question also arises whether amounts advanced to Indian evacuees who have or who are supposed to have gone to Burma and whose names have been included in the list of Indian evacuees who have gone to Burma should be included in the amount to be shown under column 2. It is certain that the G. of I. have called for this information with a view to having an idea about the correct position of the evacuee work still remaining to be

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Statement showing progress made regarding recovery and write off of advances granted to evacuees from Burma, Malaya etc. upto the end of December 1949.

Total No of cases in which recoveries made.	Total amount to be recovered.	Total amount recovered so far.	No. of cases in which recoveries waived.	Total amount written off so far.	No. of cases which have yet to be ddisposed of and in which the amount involved is		
					(i) Less than Rs.250/-	(ii) More than Rs. 250/-but less than Rs.1,000/-	(iii) More than Rs.1,000/-
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- (a) recoveries credited to H.M.'s Govt.
- (b) recoveries credited to the Govt. of Burma.
- (c) recoveries credited to the G. of I.

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- (b) recoveries credited to the Govt. of Burma.
- (c) recoveries credited to the G.of I.

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- (c) by Dist authority.

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- (b) by Provl. Govt.
- (c) by Dist authority.

Rehabilitation Housing Deptt.
"A" Br.

Submitted with reference to the foregoing circular letter dated 10-11-49 from the Govt. of India.

The G.of I. have delegated wider power to the Provincial Govts. and the Dist authorities to write off irrecoverable advances granted to evacuees from Burma, Malaya etc., under the scheme of financial assistance.

All Collector except the Collector of Bombay and B.S.D., and the Director of Rehabilitation Bombay may be empowered to write off irrecoverable advances upto Rs.250/- in each individual case provided they are fully satisfied that there is no possibility of recovery being effected at any time for one or more of the reasons given in para two of the G.of I.'s letter.

Before the above officers are empowered as stated above this may be shown uo.to F.D.

F.D. may treat this as urgent.

with the select file and file No. 61/49(a).

U.O.R. to F.D.

U O R No.614/49 dated 23-11-49.

The R.H.D. proposal may be accepted

U.OR. to R.H.D. dated 7-12-49
(with file 61/49(a) and select file.)

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...ould be taken up and dealt with severly. And
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...should any further information or explanation
... details needed we shall be pleased to furnish the same
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No.F.40/48-E(Pt.II)
Government of India.
Ministry of External Affairs.

New Delhi, the 10th November, 1949.

From

Y.D. Gundevia Esq., I.C.S.
Joinst Secretary to the Government of India.

All Provincial Governments and Chief Commissioners.

Subject:- Evacuees from Burma, Malaya, etc:-
Write off of irrecoverable advances granted
Delegation of Powers.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the late Commonwealth Relations Department circular letter No.F.27/46-E(1), dated the 18th September 1946, and the Ministry of External Affairs and Commonwealth Relations circular leter No. F.40/48-E., dated the 3rd March, 1948. These authorise Provincial Governments to write off irrecoverable advances granted to evacuees from Burma, Malaya, etc., and to dependants in India of Indians stranded in orstwhile enemy territories under the Scheme of Financial Assistance upto a limit of Rs.400/- in each individual case, suoject to certain conditions.

In view of the fact that a long time has elapsed since the scheme of Financial Assistance was closed, the Government of India are most anxious that the residential work relating to evacuees, i.e. recovery of advances and writing off of irrecoverable advances should be finalised as quickly as possible. They consider that this object can be accieved if the volume of work is reduced by writing off advances in cases where recoveries are not possible. For this purpose, they have decided to delegate wider powers to the Provincial Governments and

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the District authorities under them: The Governor-General is, accordingly, pleased to delegate powers as follows:-

Provincial Government.	Power to write off upto Rs.1000 in each individual case.
Collector or other District authority of similar status empowered by the Provincial Government.	Power to write off upto Rs.250 in each individual case.

2. The above powers are subject to the condition that the advances will be written off only after the Provincial Government or the District authority, as the case may be, is fully satisfied that there is no possibility of recovery being effected at any time for one or more of the following reasons:-

(i) the evacuee is untraceable. All possible efforts should be made to trace the evacuees by contracting the referees mentioned in the applications for advances made by the evacuees and other relations etc. In many cases the evacuees have gone back to Burma without informing the local authorities and it is desirable to make a reference direct to the Indian Embassy, Rangoon, before writing off the advance.

(ii) the evacuee has no immovable property either in India or Burma or has very small property on which he depends f his livelihood and his income is less then Rs.100/- or just sufficient to maintain him and his family.

(iii) the evacuee has died leaving no moveable or immovable property or leaving only small property on which his dependents are solely dependant for their livelihood.

3. All cases in which the amount of advance exceeds Rs.1,000 and is considered to be irrecoverable by the Provincial Government should continue to be referred to the Government of India, with Provincial Governments' recommendations and the personal files of---

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of evacuees, containing a full report of the Investigating Officer.

4. The work of recovery of advances should, at the same time, be accelerated, but here attention is invited to para.VIII of the Resume of Instructions, in which it is directed that recoveries should be made with due regard to the capacity of each individual to repay and that no undue hardship should be caused to the evacuees. It does not, however, mean that any leniency should be shown to evacuees who try to evade repayment on false pretences. In such cases legal action may be resorted to.

5. I am to request that information in the form of attached statement may be furnished to the Government of India every month. The first statement may be sent at the end of December 1949.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/- Y.D. Gundevia
Joint Secretary.

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2. As recoveries so far made include recoveries credited to H.M.'s Govt. and the Govt. of Burma in addition to the recoveries credited to the Govt. of India, it seems better to give information under column 1 & 3 of the statement under distinct sub-columns as shown in the slightly modified statement attached herewith.

3. I am also to state that as there are three different authorities e.g.the G. of I., the Provl. Govts., and the Distt. Officers now, competent to write off the irrecoverable advances, it is desirable that amounts written off by all the authorities should be shown separately under coulmns 4 and 5 of the statement. The statement is modified accordingly.

If this is done it is presumed that the statement of write off cases which is being forwarded every quarter will not be necy. in future.

As the present statement contains information as regards recoveries, it is presumed that the statement of recovereis which is at present being forwarded quarterly will also not be necy. in future.

The above presumptions may please be confirmed.

Yours faithfully,

Asstt. Secy. to the Govt. of B'bay
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Copy with a copy of the G. of I.'s letter refd. to above, f.w.c. to the D. of R., Bombay and all Collrs. except the Collr. of Bombay and B.S.D.

2. The above officers are hereby empowered to write off irrecoverable advances upto Rs.250/- in each individual case, subject to the conditions laid down in para 2 of the G. of I. letter refd. to above.

3. They are requested to note that advances which are irrecoverable are to be written off only if they are debited to the G. of I.

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4. They are requested to furnish the information in the attached form every month. They should note that they have to include in column (2) of the statement the following categories of advances only:

(1) Advances debited to the G. of I. and granted by themselves to evacuees who still continue to reside or are presumed to reside in their respective distts.

(2) Advances debited to the G. of I. and granted by other Provl. Govts. or by other Distt. Authorities in the Bombay Prov., to evacuees who at present reside or are presumed to reside in their respective distts, and whose personal files have been transfered to them.

5. Orders regarding the continuance or otherwise of the quarterly statement of recoveries will be communicated to them on receipt of a reply from the Govt. of India. The officers who have not forwarded quarterly statements for the quarters upto Sept. 1949, should, however, forward them immediately.

Copy with a copy of the G. of I.'s letter refd. to above, f.w.c. for information and necy. action, with ref. to para. 2 of the endt. above, to:

The A.G., Bombay, (thro' F.D.)

Copy with a copy of the G. of I.'s letter refd. to above, to the Finance Department.

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No.614/49-33562-A.
Rehabilitation Department.
Bombay Castle, 19th December 1949.

From

D.R.PINGE, Esquire,
Assistant Secretary to the Government of Bombay,
Rehabilitation Department.

To

The Secretary to the Government of India,
Ministry of External Affairs,
New Delhi.

Subject:- Evacuees from Burma, Malaya, etc.-
Write off of irrecoverable advances
granted under the scheme of Financial
Assistance- Delegation of Powers.

Sir,

With reference to paragraph 5 of Mr. Gundevia's letter No.F.40/48-E(Pt.II), dated the 10th November 1949, on the above subject, I am directed to state as follows:-

The information required to be furnished in the prescribed form includes information as regards the total amount to be recovered It is not clear what amounts should be included under this column. Under the scheme of financial assistance to evacuees from Burma, Malaya etc., advances were granted to different categories of evacuees and the expenditure incurred on them was debited to different Governments e.g. His Majesty's Government, the Government of Burma and the Government of India. Recoveries, if and when made, have been credited to the respective Governments. Lately the position has, however, changed and the personal files of evacuees who are the responsibility of Governments other than the Government of India are required to be forwarded to the Government of India for further transmission to the Government concerned. The question of recovery or write off in such cases is for the Government concerned and not for the Provincial Government. It follows, therefore, that the District authorities should include under column 2 of the statement, amounts advanced to those evacuees only who are the responsibility of the Government of India and which still remain to be recovered by them.

The following questions arise in this connection:

(1) Whether amounts debited to the Government of India and advanced by other Provincial Governments to evacuees who afterwards came to this Province and whose personal files have been transferred to this Government and which are still with this Government should be included in the amount to be shown under column 2 of the statement.

(2) Whether amounts debited to the Government of India and advanced by the Government of Bombay to evacuees who afterwards left for other provinces and whose personal files have been transferred to the Provincial Governemn. concerned should be included in the amount to be shown under column 2 of the statement.

(3) Whether amounts advanced to Indian evacuees who have or are supposed to have gone to Burma and whose names have been included in the list of Indian evacuees who have gone to Burma should be included in the amount to be whown under column 2.

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As this information is called for, presumably with a view to having an idea of the correct position of evacuee work still remaining to be done by the District Authorities, and the progress of the work done by them month by month, it seems that the amounts referred to in (1) above only should be included in the amount to be shown under column two, while the amounts referred to in (2) and (3) above, should not be included.

Amounts referred to in (3) above should not be included as they are expected to be recovered by the Indian Embassy in Burma.

The District Authorities are being informed accordingly.

2. As recoveries so far made include recoveries credited to His Majesty's Government and the Government of Burma in addition to the recoveries credited to the Government of India, it seems better to give information under column 1 and 3 of the statement under distinct sub-columns as shown in the slightly modified statement attached herewith.

3. I am also to state that as there are three different authorities e.g. the Government of India, the Provincial Governments, and the the District Officers now competent to write off the irrecoverable advances, it is desirable that amounts written off by all the authorities should be shown separately under columns 4 and 5 of the statement. The statement is modified accordingly.

If this is done it is presumed that the statement of write off cases which is being forwarded every quarter will not be necessary in future.

As the present statement contains information as regards recoveries, it is presumed that the statement of recoveries which is at present being forwarded quarterly will also not be necessary in future.

The above presumptions may please be confirmed.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/-D.R.Pingé

Assistant Secretary to the Government of Bombay,
Rehabilitation Department.

Copy with a copy of the Government of India's letter referred to above, forwarded with compliments to the Director of Rehabilitation, Bombay and all Collectors except the Collector of Bombaa and Bombay Suburban District.

2. The above Officers are hereby empowered to write off irrecoverable advances upto Rs.250/- in each individual case, subject to the conditions laid down in paragraph 2 of the Government of India letter referred to above.

3. They are requested to note that advances which are irrecoverable are to be written off only if they are debited to the Government of India.

4. They are requested to furnish the information in the attached form every months. They should note that they have to include in column (2) of the statement the following categories of advances only:

(1).....

(1) Advances debited to the Government of India and granted by themselves to evacuees who still continue to reside or are presumed to reside in their respective Districts

(2) Advances debited to the Government of India and granted by other Provincial Governments or by other District Authorities in the Bombay Province, to evacuees who at present reside or are presumed to reside in their respective Districts, and whose personal files have been transferred to them.

5. Orders regarding the continuance or otherwise of the quarterly statement of recoveries will be communicated to them on receipt of a reply from the Government of India. The officers who have not forwarded quarterly statements for the quarters upto September 1949, should, however, forward them immediately.

Copy with a copy of the Government of India's letter referred to above, forwared with compliments for information and necessary action, with reference to paragraph 2 of the endorsement above, to :-

The Accountant General, Bombay,
(Through the Finance Department)

Copy with a copy of the Government of India's letter referred to above, to the Finance Department.

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Statement showing progress made regarding recovery and write off of advances granted to ecacuees from Burma, Malya etc. upto the end of December 1949.

Total No of Cases in which recoveries made.	Total a ount to be recovered.	Total amount recovered so far.	No.of cases in which recoveries waived.	Total amount written off so far.	No. of cases which have yet to be disposed of and in which the amount involved is		
					(i) Less then Rs.250/-	(ii) More than Rs.250/- but less than Rs.1,000/-	(iii) More than Rs.1,000/-
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No.F.40/48-E(Pt II).
Government of India,
Ministry of External Affairs.

Dated New Delhi, the ~~16th~~ 16th Jan,1950.

V.S. Swaminathan, Esqr., B.A.,
Under Secretary to the Government of India.

To

The Assistant Secretary to the Government of Bombay,
Rehabilitation Department, Bombay.

Subject:- Evacuees from Burma, Malaya, etc.- Write off of irrecoverable advances granted under the scheme of Financial Assistance- Delegation of powers- Monthly Statement showing progress made regarding recovery and write off of advances.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 614/49-33562-A, dated 16the December, 1949, on the subject mentioned above, I am directe to say that as the instructions issued in this Ministry's letter of even number, dated 10th November 1949, apply only to Indian evacuees who were a charge on the Government of India, the information required to be furnished in columns 1& 3 of the monthly Statement referred to therein, should be in respect of the above category of evacuees only. I am to add that the amounts debited to the Government of India and advanced by other Provincial Governments to evacuees who afterwards came to Bombay Province and whose personal files have been transferred to the Provincial Government and which are still with them should be included in the amount to be shown under Column 2 of the statement. The amounts referred to at items(2) & (3) of paragraph of your letter are not to be included in Column 2 of the Statement.

2. The presumptions made in paragraph 3 of the Provincial Government letter referred to above are confirmed. The quarterly statements of recovery and write off should, however, be furnished upto 30th November 1949, if this has not already been done.

Yours faithfully
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Submitted with reference to the foregoing letter dated 16-1-50 from the Govt. of India.

As the Govt. of India say that the instructions issued in their letter dated 10-11-49 apply only to Inddan evacuees who were a charge on the Govt. of India (it was not clear in their letter) We may ask the local officers to furnish information in columns 1& 3 of the Statement in respect of recoveries credited to the Govt. of India only and not in respect of all the three categories as previously asked for.

In all other respects the stand taken by us has been approved by the Govt. of India. They have however called for quarterly Statements of recovery ~~Rxx~~ and write off upto Nov. 1949. Office will forward the Statement of write off. The local Officers may be asked to furnished quarterly Statements of recovery upto Dec .1949 if they have not done so.

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Below copy of letter No.F40/48-E(Pt II) dated 16-1-50 from the Govt. of India Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi.

No.614/49-2480-A
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24th Jan.1950.

Forwarded with compliments to the Director of Rehabilitation Bombay and all Collector except the Collector of Bombay and B.S.D. in continuation of G.of I. endorsemen No. 614/49-33562-A dated 19th Dec. 1949.

2. As the instructions issued in G.of I.'s letter No. F.40/48-E(Pt II) dated 10-11-49 apply only to Indian evacuees who were a charge on the G.of I. The above Officers are requested to note that the information required to be furnish in columns 1& 3 of the monthly Statement referred to in G.of I. endt referred to above should be in respect of recoveries credited to the G. of I. only and not in respect of all the three categories as required previously.

3. The above Officers are also requested to note that they need not forward quarterly Statements of recovery in future. But the Officers who are required to forward the Statements o recovery and who have not yet forwarded the Statements upto Dec.1949 are requested to forward the quarterly Statements upto Dec.1949 immediately.

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Copy of letter No.F.40/48-E(Pt II), dated the 16th Jan.1950 from the Government of India, Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi.

Subject:- Evacuees from Burma, Malaya, etc.- Write off of irrecoverable advances granted under the scheme of Financial Assistance-Delegation of Powers- Monthly Statement showing progress made regarding recovery and write off of advances.

Wtih reference to your letter No.614/49-33552-A, dated the 16th December, 1949, on the subject mentioned above, I am directed to say that as the instructions issued in this Ministry's letter of even number, dated 10th November 1949, apply only to Indian evacuees who were a charge on the Government of India, the information required to be furnished in columns 1 & 3 of the montly Statement referred to therein, should be in respect of the above category of evacuees only. I am to add that the amounts debited to the Government of India and advanced by other Provincial Governments to evacuees who afterwards came to Bombay Province and whose personal files have been transfered to the Provincial Government and which are still with them should be included in the amount to be shown under column 2 of the Statement. The amounts referred to at ~~Column~~ items (2) &(3) of paragraph 1 of your letter are not to be included in Column 2 of the Statement.

2. The presumptions made in paragraph 3 of the Provincial Government letter referred to above are confirmed. The quarterly Statements of recovery and write off should, however, be furnished upto 30th November 1949, if this has not already been done.

No.614/49-2480-A.
Rehabilitation Department.
Bombay Castle, (Bombay No.1) 23rd Jan.1950.

Forwarded with compliments to the Director of Rehabilitation, Bombay and All Collectors except the Collector of Bombay and Bombay Suburban District in continuation of Government endorsement ~~No.~~ No. 614/49-33562-A, dated the 16th/19th Dec.1949.

2. As the insturctions issued in Government of India letter No. F.40/48-E(Pt II) dated the 10th November 1949 apply only to Indian evacuees who were a charge on the Government of India the above officers are requested to note that the information required to be furnished in columns 1 and 3 of the monthly statement referred to in Government endorsement referred to above should be in respect of recoveries credited to the Governemnt of India only and not in respect of all the three categories as required previously.

3. The above officers are also requested to note that they need not forward quaeterly statements of recovery in future. But the officers who are required to forward the statements of recovery and who have not yet forwarded the statements upto Dec. 1949 are requested to forward the quarterly statements upto Dec. 1949 immediately.

By order of the Governor of Bombay,

Sd/- D.R.Pinge)
Assistant Secretary to the Government of Bombay,
Rehabilitation Department.

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No.D.3348/50B II.

Government of India
Ministry of External Affairs

New Delhi, the 22nd September, 1950.

From

Shri S.N. Sheopori,
Assistant Secretary to the Government of India.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Bombay,
Rehabilitation Department, Fourth Floor,
Mercantile Bank Building,
Mahatma Gandhi Road,
Fort, Bombay-1

Subject:- Grant of assistance to evacuees from Burma, Malaya, etc., -Recovery of Advances.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry circular letter No.F.40/48-E(Pt II)., dated the 10th November, 1949, and to forward for information and such action as may be considered necessary, a copy of letter dated the 31st July 1950 from Messrs C.M. Natalwala and Sons, Surat, on the subject mentioned above.

Yours faithfully,

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with the passport for Burma. We are of the opinion that if this method is adopted, we could realise or recover large amount from these people. We suggest that without any delay the State Govt. of Bombay, be instructed in this matter.

We are prepared to assist the Authorities in this respect because we have close knowledge of these defaulters and generally the majority of them are muslims of this district.

We were advocating for the avoidance of the usual and customary police inquiries as you will observe from our communications despatched to you but we are now of the view and in the interest of our Bharat and its Finances, we are on the police inquiry but the inquiry should be assigned only to ascertain whether the immigrant is owning any money to the Govt. of India, on account of advance loans given to him during his stay in India during the War Years. He should furnish a discharge Certificate from the Mamlatdar of the taluka in which he resides and in caseof Surat City he should produce such Certificate from the City Magistrate or the Huzur Deputy Collector. only on the production of these documents, he should be issued with the Burma passport and not otherwise if he is indebted to Govt.

The local police and other Revenue Officials fine untold difficulties in tracing these persons when they visit town like Randar, and other places in this district, they are told the whereabouts or even the identity of the persons are not disclosed by their people including muslim parda ladies.

We command their reputation and good name since the last many years and are known by the local Govt. officials, Govt. of the State of Bombay, and even the Govt. of India.

Copy of letter No. nil dated the 31st July, 1950 from Messrs C.N. Natalwala & Sons, Surat to the Government of India, Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi.

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Subject:- Burma Passports etc.

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We beg to draw your attention to our representation on the subject mentioned above and in this connection we request you to refer to our last representation and to the accompaniments despatched thereto.

We consider the subject of importance and therefore, we are again requesting you to consider our representations and let us have an early reply. Since our last communication to you, the period has been again extended to 1st September, 1950, it is now our humble suggestion that no further extension be notified, because of the fact that large number of application are pouring in from Burma residents with the localAuthourties for Burma passports and therefore it is proposed that no further extension than 1st Sept. be notified.

We have another suggestion to put forward to Government and that is:- That during the War, as far as Surat District is concerned, the Govt. of India, has advanced about 90 laks of rupees on the re-payment loan basis to Burma War Refugees during their stay here in Surat District, but now the local Govg. finds very difficult to realise or recover those advanced loans given to them for their maintainence and accommodation. Many of them are earning handsomely but they under one reason or another evade purposely the re-employment of those loans taken by them during war years.

Therefore, it is suggested by us that the local officials must insist upon those Burma Indians desire to obtain passports for Burma to pay first the money due to Government, before they are grantes with--

We must state that the question of the realisation of the 90 laks of rupees advanced to the Burma evacuees in this dixtrict, by Govt. the methods and the meaqures adopted or taken and now seing taken are according to our opinion are unsatisfactory and very careless and improper. Each case of a defaulter should be taken up and dealt with severly. And every means are to be employed to force the defaulter to pay up the amount due from him and even his surety be called upon to pay the amount frothwith. As surety or gurantee have been taken from every refugee when he applied for loans.

Should any further information or explanation or details needed we shall be pleased to furnish the same on hearing from Govt. in this matter or any other allied matter.

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